Subsidies to farmers

1720. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that different types of subsidies and concessions provided by the State Governments to the farmers do not reach them due to illiteracy and ignorance and other reasons; and

(b) if so, what steps arp proposed to be taken to remove the shortcomings and to take the actual benefit to the farmers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) By and large, the farmers are aware of the various types of subsidies and concessions provided by the State Governments. Thus, such subsidies and concessions are generally available to them. However, whenever, any report about non-availability of such subsidies and concessions is received, the same is looked into by the concerned State Government and corrective action taken.

Concessional rates of interest for minor irrigation schemes

1721. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK' Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pieased to state:

1721. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH to provide loan to farmers on concessional rate of interest for expansion of minor irrigation schemes; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND' ' COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) The credit institutions are already providing term loans to farmers at concessional rates of interest for implementing minor irrigation schemes. The short term cooperative criedit structure provides medium term loans for minor irrigation schemes at rate of interest of 10.25% per annum while long term credit structure and commercial banks provide term loans for the purpose at 10% per annum.

Plotg auctioned by Delhi Develop-I ment Authority

1722. SHRI F. M. KHAN; Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to refer to the reply to Starred Question 229 given in the Rajya Sabha on 1st August, 1986 and state;

(a) whether the stay granted by Court on plots auctioned by Delhi Development Authority in April, 1986 near Nehru Place, New Delhi hag since been vacated;

(b) if so, whether possession has been given to the successful bidders;

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor;

(d) what is the amount of money deposited with Delhi Development Authority by each successful bidder; and

(e) whether Government propose to give alternate plots in South Delhi to those bidders?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Stay order from the Court of Sub-Judge, Delhi.

(d) As per th$_e$ enclosed Statement. *(See* below)

(e) No, Sir.